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DETAILED ACTION

Allowable Subject Matter

1. Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance:

Claims 1-5, 9-21 and 29-30 are allowed.

The following is a statement of reasons for the indication of allowable subject matter:

Regarding claims 1 and 29 the closest prior arts Barclay (2003119522) teaches that receiving a request from a user to place a voice call to a given directory number; recognizing that the given directory number is associated with a particular destination party, customer makes an emergency call to the emergency person using wireless device 101 and matching number dial by user; and responsive to the request and before initiating the voice call to the given directory number, sending to the particular destination party a message indicating a location granularity preference of the user. When call is placed to or by a customer using wireless device 101, it is determine in the wireless device 101 location provision feature and "location granularity preference" that providing option of providing the location of the wireless device 101 with using different kind of codes, i.e., messages, for example *57, *67 and *77 to disable or permanently disable the location or user grant permission to send location by entering code to enabled the position. Avkanen (20020173317) teaches that the memory of the client station includes a plurality of location granularity preferences and each location granularity preference corresponds to a respective directory number i.e., a request for level of location information concerning a mobile terminal from a local Application/Control Number: 10/734,700

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application (1-1) residing in the terminal through an application program interface (1-3). A particular source from a set of potential sources is determined to provide the requested location information to the local Application. Aykanen also teaches a local application can interface with a single application program interface and be automatically connected to the appropriate source of terminal location information. Thus the need to include separate program code is eliminated. Zellner (7623849) teaches that a voice call is initiated in which an originating terminal places a call to a recipient terminal. An information element selected from database based on service plan and user terminal capability associated with a receiver is transmitted to receiver before establishing communication session with receiver, through network.

Claims 1-5, 9-21 and 29-30 are allowable (with other combinations) over the prior art of record since the cited references taken individually or in combination fails to particularly teach responsive to the request and <u>before initiating the voice call</u>, retrieve a location granularity preference of a user of the client station from memory of the client station and <u>after sending the message indicating the location granularity preference of the user into the network, sending an origination message to initiate the voice call.</u>

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

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Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to KHAWAR IQBAL whose telephone number is (571)272-7909. The examiner can normally be reached on 9 am to 6.30 pm Monday to Thursday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, GEORGE ENG can be reached on 571-272-7495. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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